

**PLEASE READ
CAREFULLY**

TOURNAMENT RULES

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AND KEEP**

1. USBC rules and regulations will govern this tournament. All participants must be at least 50 years of age by the entry deadline date of the tournament (Midnight, **October 15, 2023**) and must be a member of USBC and SC USBC.
2. Competition shall consist of a singles event, a doubles event and a 6-game optional all events. Each event shall be handicapped on the basis of **90% of 220 for open and 90% of 220 for ladies**. The all events shall be conducted in six classes based on age for each event. The doubles event will be in one class and the singles will be in two classes based on average. Deliberate misrepresentation of age will result in disqualification. Age of entrant at entry deadline date shall determine class.
3. Multiple participation USBC Rule #315 applies. Bowlers are permitted to participate in any event (refer to rule #1) but must cash only once in singles (highest), and in doubles as often as partners are changed (USBC RULE 217c). All bowlers that enter both singles and doubles will automatically be eligible for the All Events division (first time bowled) and the opportunity to represent South Carolina in the National Senior's Tournament. To qualify for the All Events prize money, the bowler must pay the optional All Events fee.
4. Each entrant must present his/her **2023-2024 USBC membership card from S.C.** to the tournament secretary **30 minutes** before scheduled bowling time. **If any substitutions are necessary, check in one hour before schedules squad time and fill out form.**
5. **ENTERING AVERAGE RULE**
 - A. Highest USBC sanctioned league average based on **21 or more games** for the **2022-2023 seasons**. **TEN PIN RULE DOES APPLY**. Average must be verified by local association manager, by a copy of local association yearbook or personal league history sheet.
 - B. If A does not apply, use **2022-23 summer league average (highest)** from USBC sanctioned summer league based on **12 or more games** and verified by the association manager or **copy of league (personal) record sheet**.
 - C. If you do not qualify under A or B above, use **highest current season average** as of the entry deadline date (**October 15, 2023**) based on **9+ or more games**. This average must be verified by a copy of the **Bowlers personal league record sheet**.
 - D. **The USBC Rule 319 does apply.**
 - E. If you do not qualify under any of the above, an **assigned average** will be given: 170 for Super Seniors (75+ years) & Class A (70-74 years old): 180 for Class B (65-69 years old): 190 for Class C (60-64 years old): 200 for Class D (55-59 years old): 220 for Class E (50-54)
6. It shall be the responsibility of each bowler to verify the accuracy of his/her average whether submitted by the bowler or others. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than correct average, thereby, resulting in more handicap. Prize winnings will be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average. Corrections to average can be made up to the completion of the first game of a series, or within **48 hours** after completion of a series if the tournament director, prior to the completion of the first game of a series, has given written consent to the bowler authorizing such extension of time to correct average.
7. All prize money will be returned **100% in prizes**. There will be at least **one prize for each ten entries or major fraction thereof** in singles, doubles and all events. In the event of a tie, the money will be combined and divided equally. **NO PLAQUES** will be awarded to the winners. The prize money will be combined if optional all events fee was paid, and the tournament director will schedule a 3-game roll off to determine the entry to the **USBC NATIONAL SENIOR TOURNAMENT. LANES TO BE DETERMINED BY TOURNAMENT MANAGER.**
8. Dress Code and general rules of conduct:
 - a. Bowlers who participate in the tournament shall be dressed in a presentable manner and conduct themselves in a manner not derogatory to the sport of Ten Pins.
 - b. No tank tops, no "SHORT" SHORTS and no pants below waist (no underwear seen).
 - c. **Hats or headgear** may be worn during competition.
 - d. Cell phones/pagers must be on vibrate only when bowling
9. All questions of attire, conduct, and rules decisions remain with the tournament director/manager.
10. Only 1 PBA Member per doubles. Entrants identified as Professional are limited to 1 on a two member team.

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